



California Energy Commission PIER Buildings Program

**Under Floor Air Distribution Systems
Displacement Ventilation Systems
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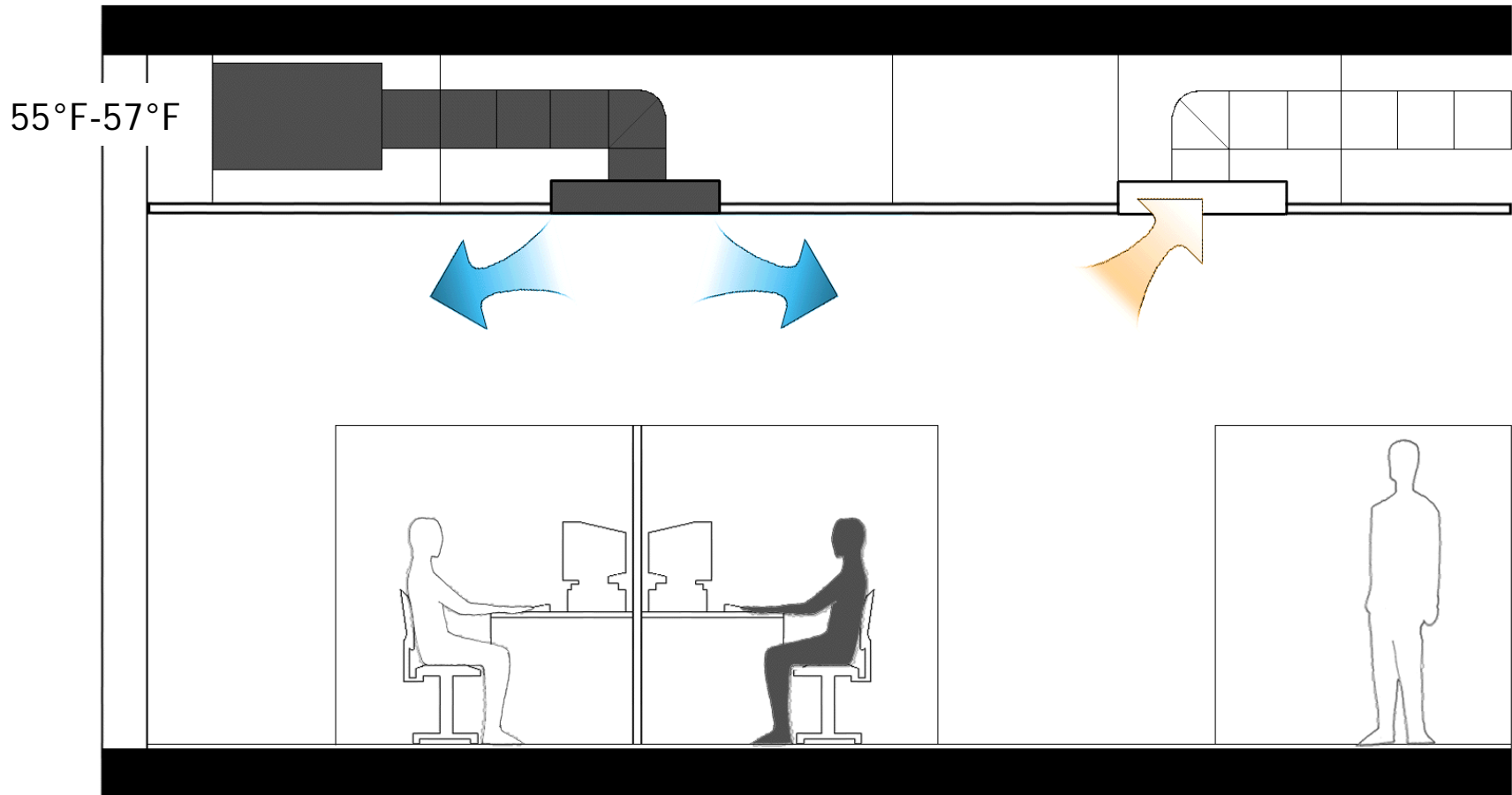
UFAD & DV Systems for 2008 Nonresidential Standards



- Significant amount of research on UFAD and thermal displacement ventilation in the last four years.
- Results indicate significant potential for energy savings and improved ventilation effectiveness.
- Currently considering options for either a compliance credit or a requirement for these systems in appropriate situations (with relevant ACM manual revisions)

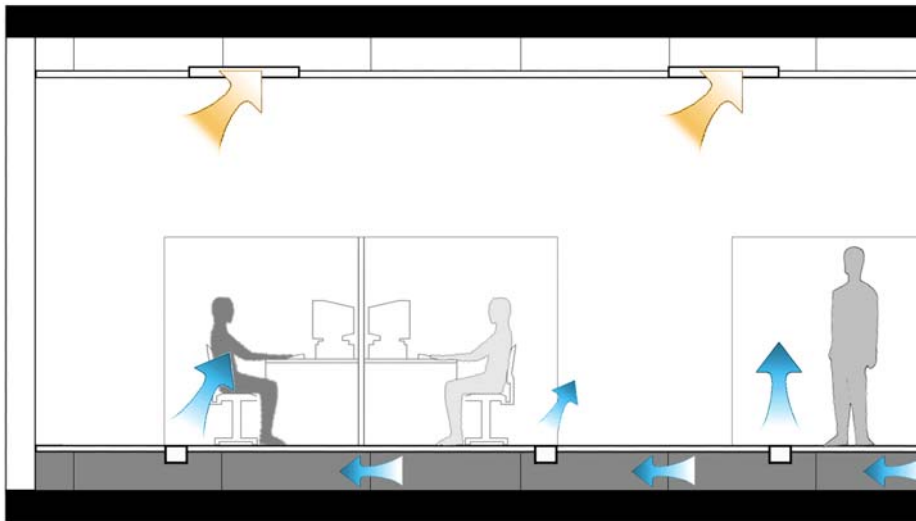


Overhead Mixing System



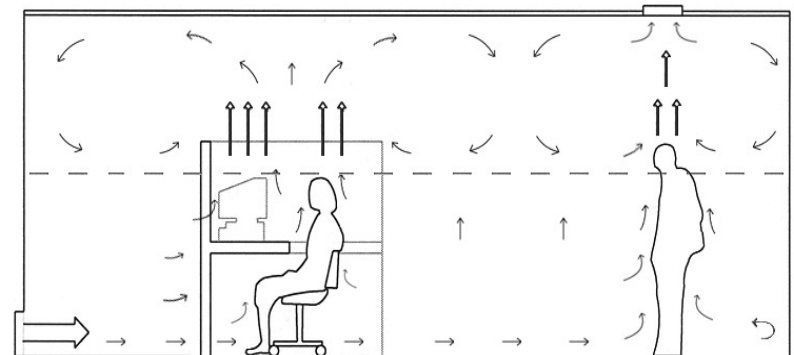


Underfloor Air Distribution System (UFAD) Displacement Ventilation (DV)



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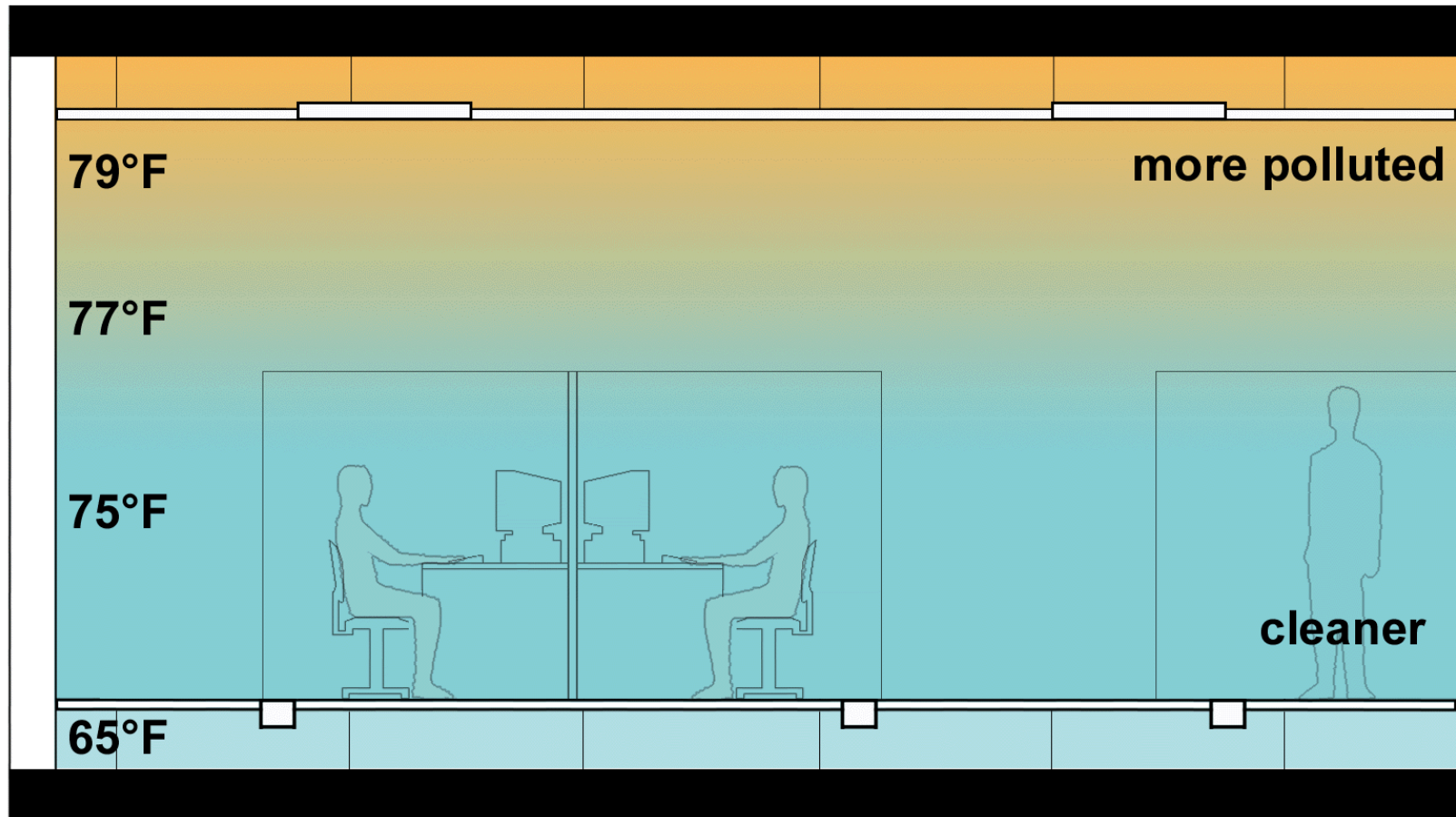
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Room Air Stratification

(cooling operation)

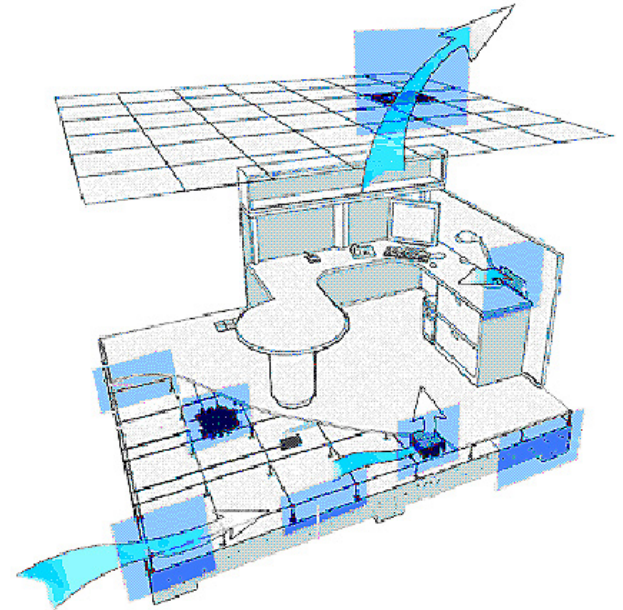




Potential UFAD Benefits

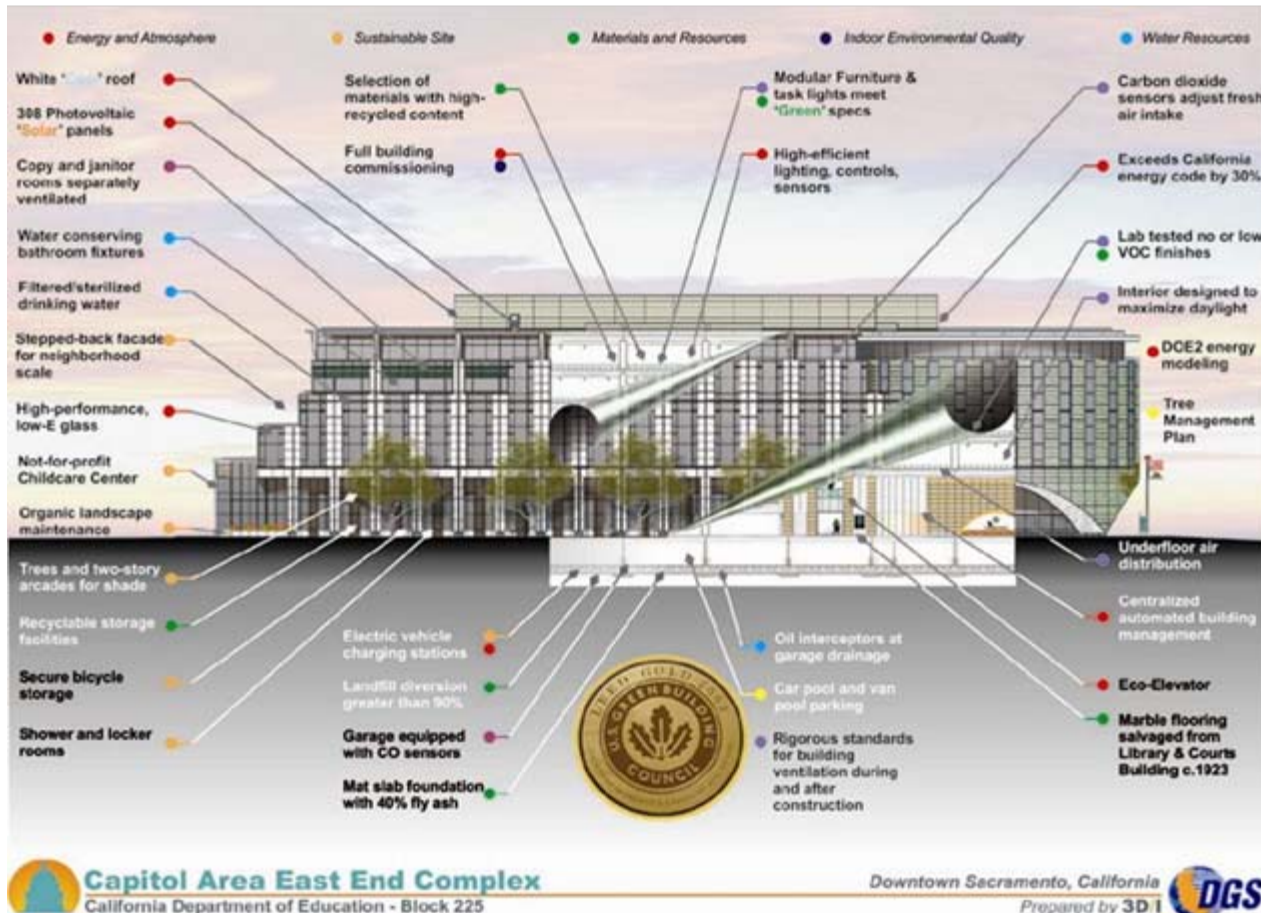


- Reduced energy use
- Improved ventilation efficiency and indoor air quality
- Improved occupant comfort, productivity and health
- Reduced life-cycle building costs
- Improved flexibility for building services
- Reduced floor-to-floor height in new construction



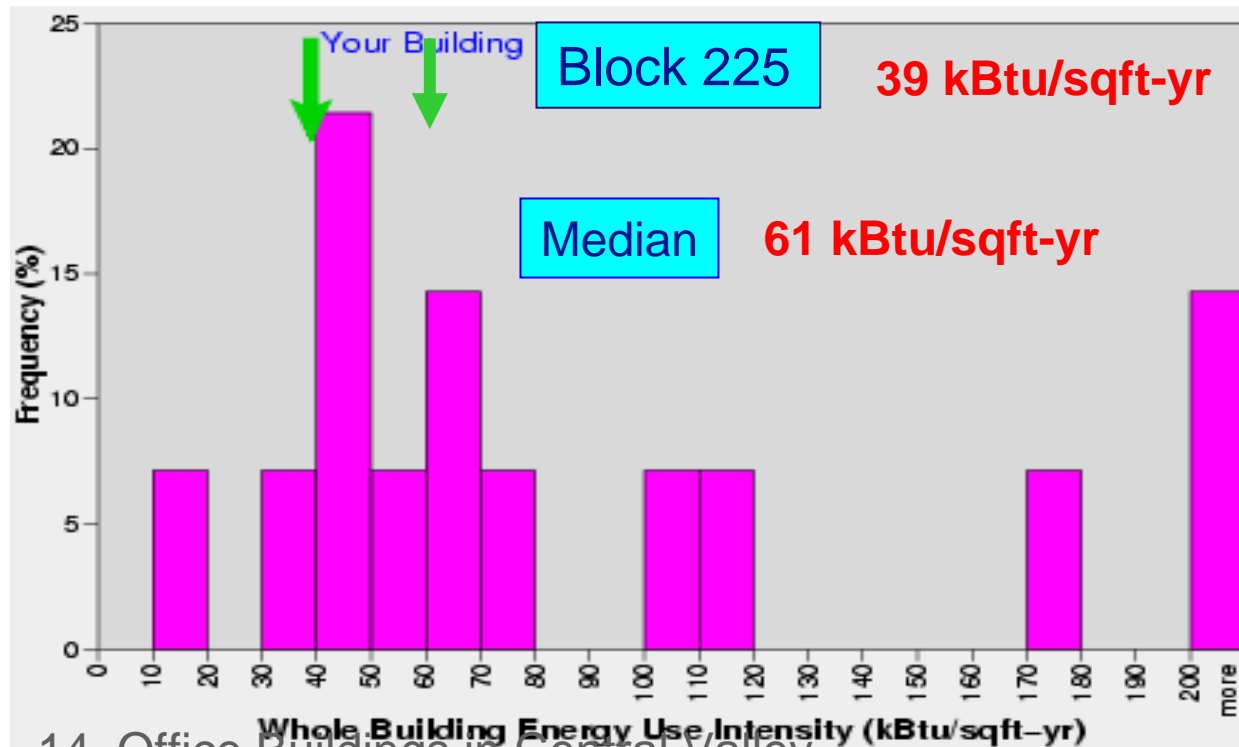


Field study Block 225, CAEEC





Block 225 energy use data Comparison to 14 California buildings (2004) - UFAD



N = 14, Office Buildings in Central Valley

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